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The new county information book is out and is a credit to its authors, Joseph E. Gray, of Bisbee, and Oscar Goll, of Douglas, the secretaries of the Chambers of Commerce of both cities respectively. Mr. Gray is also county immigration officer and Mr. Goll is deputy. The cuts used in the booklet are all new scenes, no old cuts having been used. They are for free distribution, and every one should send a copy "back home." It might make many of the eastern people pack up and come out and grow up with the country.

The noise you hear to the west of town is not the Carranzistas bombarding the Villistas, but is the county road gang blowing up the granite boulders near the monument. The removal of these smooth round pebbles from the Borderland highway will be a great relief to all travelers between this city and Fairbanks or Benson.

The man who has a job in Tombstone is indeed a lucky man, because work for carpenters, miners and day laborers all over the Southwest is a mighty scarce article, and with Gleeson, Courtland, Nacozari, Cananea, Morenci, Clifton and Metcalf closed, there is a surplus of labor. Consequently the man, be he laborer of any kind, is certainly in luck to have a job in Tombstone at the present time, where rents are reasonable, where living expenses are as reasonable as in any mining camp, where we have incomparable climate and water, good schools and moral sources of entertainment. During the present unrest caused by the war in Europe and Mexico and domestic troubles, again we say a man who has a job of any kind in Tombstone is indeed a lucky man.

"The Sun Always Shines at Phoenix, Arizona—The Finest Winter Climate in the World."

The above is the wording of a bit of advertising matter that will be impressed upon the business letters of the merchants of Phoenix if a suggestion made to and endorsed by the advertising committee of the Chamber of Commerce of that city is accepted. That shows a boosting spirit in the Phoenix businessmen, is in right form and is a suggestion to Tombstone boosters. The following motto on all business letters would do much toward keeping the Old Camp before the outside public: "Tombstone has the finest climate, purest water, best people and best living conditions in the world—Come and enjoy living."

It now appears that an attempt is to be made to stay the hanging of Kermeen, the man who cold-bloodedly killed a companion at Bisbee and robbed him of his diamonds, on the ground of insanity. Kermeen is not insane, but probably as a last resort he is attempting to make it appear so. After his capture and before trial here he made a complete confession to Sheriff Wheeler, making a clean breast of the whole affair. The man should be made to answer for his dastardly crime, as the law prescribes, and as a sane jury of twelve honest men recommended.

Now that Santa Cruz and Pima counties have in the last week voted road bonds, it follows that Cochise county should do likewise, and we have no doubt but what the Cochise County Road Bond Association, which has been working for several months on the matter, will evolve a plan at their meeting in Douglas which will meet with favor at the polls when the taxpayers vote on the subject. It goes without saying that a county that spends \$100,000 yearly on repairing roads should have some standard roads to repair, for in the past the money has been virtually wasted, but this year under the able management of County Engineer Ryan we have gotten good returns. Standard roads will pay better returns than roads repaired in spots.

The San Diego Fair will undoubtedly run another year, and it should because it is invaluable to the southwest, and with more of the Borderland Route open and the Spreckels road (connecting Yuma with San Diego) in a state of completion there will be more direct modes of travel to the "Exposition Beautiful." In this connection it may be timely once again to remark that Arizona overlooked one good advertising bet in not having a building there as has New Mexico. That state has a mighty fine exhibit in a building of its own, and are reaping the benefits in no uncertain manner. It is not too late for Arizona yet to get in. The Chambers of Commerce of the different cities of the state could by prompt united action still arrange a creditable exhibit in one of the buildings of the exposition.

The Clifton Mining Journal quotes Governor Hammond of Minnesota and it strikes the Prospector that the

Governor spoke a whole lot of the big truth when he said: "Unless a man in this country is willing to concede that America is the world's greatest country, he owes the community one debt, the payment of which calls for his departure to the country he likes better."

In speaking of the road bond issue recently voted by the people of Santa Cruz county, the Santa Cruz Patagonian says: "The bonds for \$150,000 with which to build good roads for Santa Cruz county have been overwhelmingly voted. The only thing that prevented the proposition from being unanimous was the fear felt by some of citizens that the money would not be judiciously expended and voted against the measure accordingly. Now let the board of supervisors make a record. They were elected to run the affairs of this county, and if they will only attend to the proper expenditure of this money the citizens of the county will be behind them to a single individual. The law provides that aliens cannot be employed on this work. That is a splendid thing. Now cut out foreign contractors. Buy our own road perfecting machinery and let the citizens of Santa Cruz county earn every dollar possible of the \$150,000. The most important thing in connection with building good roads is securing a competent engineer, and we feel sure the supervisors of the county will act wisely in the matter."

The Phoenix Republican has made a new departure and one which places it upon the same plane with the El Paso and Los Angeles papers. It has installed its own leased wire and gets the full Associated Press news report right into its editorial rooms. Our congratulations are extended the Republican upon this evidence of enterprise.

The attention of the whole country is centered upon that comparatively small area of Cochise county lying on the international boundary and extending a few miles east and west of Douglas. There the Mexican factions are facing each other, with no decisive result so far, with a force of five or six thousand American troops on this side to preserve our boundary inviolate. The situation is, no doubt a trying one for our officers and men, and from reports any moment the American troops may become involved.

The plan to adopt a new and uniform method of keeping road accounts for the counties of the state, mention of which is made in our news columns, is a movement in the direction of efficiency and economy. Any system which saves time and labor is to be commended. Though the saving in dollars and cents may be inconsiderable, it is by gradual gains such as these, by reasonable economy and care in expenditures, that good administration of government is finally secured. The meeting of county officials in Phoenix on the 17th is a gratifying indication that these state and county officials are alive to their responsibilities to the taxpayers and the public.

Governor Hunt, in issuing a proclamation soliciting aid for the suffering strikers of the Clifton district appears to be making another grand stand play, as thus far the labor organizations have made no appeals for aid.

Benson boosters are well pleased that the San Pedro river bridge at St. David has been completed. They claim that there has been a noticeable diversion of travel to the Short Line since the bridge was opened to the public.

Indiana is the latest state to pass a law regulating the size of bed sheets. Thus the world moves upward and onward.

Senator Ashurst was "right on the job" in the matter of securing those additional troops for Douglas.

The \$300 automobile is coming. Then pedestrians will be compelled to take to the woods.

Looks like the Mexicans are going to make a little trouble on the border at Douglas. But we can depend on Uncle Sam's boys to handle the affair if the matter assumes a critical aspect.

In speaking of a young man born this year the Lawrence (Mass.) Telegram says: "The Vicksburg boy who has been named Ford Carr will probably get cranky when he is old enough to realize the joke on him, says an exchange." Especially we might add, when in later years he notes the improvements and remembers that he is a 1915 model.

"The Arizona Wildcat" is the name of a college publication issued by students of the U. of A., at Tucson. The name sound both wild and woolly. Success to the "Wildcat"—long may it scream.

GEN. FUNSTON

NOW AT DOUGLAS

EL PASO, Nov. 1.—"If any deliberate attempts are made by the Mexican factions to fire into the United States I will order the soldiers to cross the border and stop the fighting." This was General Frederick Funston's ultimatum to the Gilla Carranza forces tonight, when he arrived here from Fort Sam Houston on his way to Douglas to assume personal command of the United States troops in the trenches there.

He said:

"Random shots, providing they are really random ones and not fired to provoke action, will not be considered as deliberately unfriendly."

"But let a volley come across the border and we will be forced to resort to action to protect American lives. Our orders are not to invade Mexico unless it becomes absolutely necessary in order to protect American lives. I cannot say whether or not the shots which struck F. L. Taylor were random ones or deliberately fired on American soil as I was not there and have no way of knowing."

NEWS OF DEVELOPMENTS
IN THE STRIKE DISTRICT

TUESDAY

PHOENIX, Nov. 2—Adj. Gen. C. W. Harris will leave tonight for Clifton after a short stay in the city. The adjutant general feels that his presence is needed in the strike district.

It is said that proboscis is growing between the Mexican, Spanish and Italian strikers.

CLIFTON, Nov. 1—Everything is quiet tonight in the Clifton-Mograci strike district. Attorney General Wiley E. Jones, en route from Washington, where he went to argue the 80 per cent law before the supreme court, arrived here today and stated he will make an investigation of general conditions with the aid of the sheriff.

Frank Tarbell, who claims to be representing the head of the Morone union, and George McKenzie were arrested, charged with disturbing the peace. They entered a union committee meeting where men were engaged in auditing the union books which had been under Tarbell's supervision, and attempted to take the books from the committee. They were taken before a justice of the peace, who released them on their own recognizance. Later a mob formed which intended to drive the men from the district. The two men, Tarbell and McKenzie, were re-arrested and placed under \$500 bail. Failing to secure the bail they were lodged in the county jail.

TOMBSTONE DOES NOT
NEED MORE LABORERS

Under ordinary circumstances Tombstone would hold out a hearty welcome for people seeking labor but at the present time we have all the men we need in the camp to fill all wants in the labor line, and the man who comes here at the present time looking for work, is only out the expense he is in traveling and sustaining himself in the coming.

There are so many camps closed in the surrounding country, and very little building or improvements going on that at the present time, labor is overabundant. The building improvements in Tombstone are going on but only in such amount as to barely keep our mechanics employed, and any outsider coming in now stands no chance of getting work as the contractors and employers believe in taking care, during the lull in industrial progress, of the men who have been here in the immediate past. Hence we serve notice on the men out of employment in this usually busy outgrowth that Tombstone has all the labor of any kind that it needs, and to come here only means disappointment and expense to the man seeking work. When industrial peace comes to this great southwest, Tombstone will serve notice to the peoples and welcome them to journey to the coming live camp in which health, happiness and prosperity will reign.

Toy Balloon Does Damage

TUCSON, Nov. 1—A toy balloon sent up at a children's party at the home of Mrs. S. M. Swan, 606 North Park avenue, at 8:15 yesterday evening, landed on the roof and caused a fire that did damage to the amount of \$2,000. Most of the furniture was saved by university students who hurried to the scene. Insurance covered most of the damage.

"After I arrive I propose to protect Americans and will demand that all firing into the United States cease at once. Further than that I cannot say and like every other officer, I will be acting upon orders from my superior officers."

DOUGLAS, Nov. 2—General Funston, accompanied by Major W. H. Hay, his chief of staff, left at 7:45 o'clock yesterday evening for this city, where he will take immediate command of the situation, relieving Gen. Thos. F. Davis. General Funston declared before leaving to a correspondent he did not know how long he would stay here, as Douglas is now the most important point on the border and a place where

BIG INTERESTS GET
OLD CARLISLE MINE

DUNCAN, Oct. 31.—What is probably the largest mining deal made in the southwest in recent years, was closed this week, when W. B. Duval, of New York City, representing an eastern syndicate, secured control of the old Carlisle mine from George H. Frier of Silver City. The property is located in the Steeplecock district of New Mexico, about 15 miles east of Duncan.

The syndicate has had an option on the property for four months, and have secured a contract sale, option and bond on this former big producer at \$300,000, and will begin work at once. In two months have already been ordered for unwatering the mine, and as much as received work will be commenced.

ANOTHER CHAPTER
OF BIG MINING SUIT

Another chapter was added to the celebrated Cunningham-Costello case today when the arguments were taken up for judgments on the verdict as rendered by the jury. Attorney Ives, Moffatt and Cleary were on hand to represent the plaintiff, while Messrs. John Mason Ross and Joe Scott represented the defense.

The main question taken up this morning was that of whether or not the plaintiff was entitled to interest. The jury decided that they were not entitled to interest.

The plaintiff claims that they are entitled to interest on the money so held. The defense denied this, and the matter will be submitted on briefs, the defense asking for twenty days in which to file them. The interest will amount to nearly \$100,000.

The case will go up on appeal, no matter what the ruling is of the judge of the Superior Court, and it will be some time before the appeal is perfected.

the department commander should be.

DOUGLAS, Nov. 2—Gen. Frederick Funston arrived here this morning to take charge of the situation. Funston and his staff left San Antonio post haste Sunday evening, upon receipt of the declarations of Villa as made to a newspaper representative.

LIST OF AMERICANS
WOUNDED AT DOUGLAS

DOUGLAS, Nov. 2—Herbert K. Jones, letter carrier, 751 Fifth street, was shot through the left shoulder early this morning while standing in front of his home. He was taken to the Calumet hospital where it was said his condition was not serious.

Shot through the legs between the knees and hips, Corporal M. Jones of Company G, Seventh infantry, on border patrol duty west of the American customs house, was wounded by a Carranza soldier, according to his statement last night at the V. M. C. A., where he had been taken.

Mexican boy about eight years of age was shot in the stomach on this side of the line near the customs house about 7 o'clock.

General Calles issued an official report at 2 o'clock this morning in which he said forty-five Carranza men had been killed and seventy-five wounded during the afternoon and night engagements.

Ollie Y. Whiddan, United States soldier, Company A, Seventh infantry, received a bullet wound in the neck while standing near the freight office at 2:15 o'clock this morning. The wound is slight.

Two United States soldiers of the Seventh infantry were shot at 3 o'clock this morning. One was wounded in the leg and the other in the stomach. They were taken to the V. M. C. A. Condition of the man shot in the stomach was reported as serious.

NEW REGULATIONS IN
CHIRICAHUA FOREST

On and after October 1, 1915, and until further notice, settlers, miners, residents on or near the Forest, and prospectors for minerals may cut and remove from the Chiricahua National Forest free of charge and without permit, any dead timber needed for their own use for firewood, fencing, mining, prospecting and other domestic purposes. The total value of the timber that may thus be secured should, however, not exceed \$20.00 per annum. Fence posts and lagging are rated at five cents each and fuel wood at fifty cents per cord, while fence stays are valued at one cent each apiece. Ratings of other products if desired, will be furnished upon application to the nearest District Ranger.—Courtland Arizonan.

CAPT. BEN COOK
LAID TO REST

The funeral of Capt. Ben Cook, Tombstone pioneer, who died Saturday afternoon, was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the family residence.

The last sad rites and obsequies over the remains of one of Tombstone's oldest pioneers were conducted by the Masonic order of which he was a longtime member. Many old-time friends of the deceased gathered at the home where the ceremony was held, and at the cemetery, where the masonic services were conducted and the local members paid their last respects to their departed brother.

Out of respect for the deceased all offices in the court house were closed during the afternoon, and the officials attended the funeral.

He leaves to mourn his death, two daughters, Mrs. Willette Murphy of Tombstone and Mrs. Chas. Bowman of Los Angeles, who was unable to come to attend the funeral. The Prospector joins in extending condolences.

GLEESON ITEMS FOR
THE PAST WEEK

GLEESON, October 31, 1915—While playing basketball at school Wednesday during afternoon recess, Clarence Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Brown, met with a quite painful accident. In the course of the game he collided with another player and stumbled head-long against a post. He struck with such a force that eleven stitches were necessary to close the gash in his scalp. He is doing nicely, however, under the care of Dr. Stroud.

Constable Lyle Gibson and L. M. Brown motored to the Chiricahua this week on business.

Lon Seonch took a load of lumber to Johnson for B. A. Taylor, who is establishing a branch store in that camp.

Mr. F. Lawhon, of Deming, N. M., is visiting his son, Harry, who owns a ranch near Gleeson.

Mrs. Rubie Baker is confined to her bed with a case of lagrippe.

B. A. Taylor's branch store at Kelton was destroyed by fire of unknown origin Wednesday morning at 4 o'clock.

Taxes Well Paid Up

Today was the last day for the first installment of the county taxes before they became delinquent. At the close of the office hours today County Treasurer Ross stated that he did not believe that there would be a very large percentage of the taxpayers in default. The mail of the last day or two have been extremely large, and it will be several days before he will be able to ascertain exactly what amount will be delinquent. The semi-annual law was passed for the benefit of the small taxpayers, but it does not seem as if they care to take advantage of it in Cochise County. Four out of five of the smaller taxpayers have paid up all their taxes, while the larger taxpayers, including some of the railroads and mining companies have only paid the first installment.